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For: PROBE STRUCTURE HAVING A PLURALITY OF DISCRETE
INSULATED PROBE TIPS PROJECTING FROM A SUPPORT SURFACE,
APPARATUS FOR USE THEREOF AND METHODS OF FABRICATION
THEREOF

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In the claims:

Claim 1. - 48 (Canceled)

Claim 49. (Original) A method comprising providing a substrate having a surface;

providing a plurality of elongated electrical conductors each having a first end and
a second end;

bonding each of said first ends to said surface so that said second ends are
disposed away from said surface;

forming a dielectric coating on said elongated electrical conductors.

Claim 50. (Withdrawn) A method according to claim 49 further including forming a
coating of an electrically conductive material on said dielectric coating.

Claim 51. (Withdrawn) A method comprising: providing a substrate having a
surface, said surface having a plurality of elongated electrical conductors each